GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department – Allegations of the irregularities of illegal quarrying of sand from Poramboku lands in Champavathi river, Vizianagaram District against Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram District - Imposing the penalty of withholding of 1 annual grade increment of pay without cumulative effect– Orders –Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.446 Dated:10.08.2021.

Read the following:

1. From the General Administration (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.7(586/V&E/NRI/2004), dt.12.01.2006.
2. G.O.Rt. No.1899, PR&RD (Vig.IV) Department, Dt:21.12.2009.
3. Explanation from Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram, dated:13.02.2012.
4. G.O.Rt.No.650, PR&RD (Vig.IV) Dept, Dt:18.04.2013.
5. G.O.Rt.No.139, PR&RD (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:14.02.2018.
6. Inquiry Report received from COI, D.O.Lr.No.39/COIPKS/2018, dt.05.09.2018.
7. Govt. Memo No. 12015/Vig.III/A1/2008, Dt. 26.09.2019 & 28.08.2020.
8. From the CPR&RD, Lr.Rc.No.1134127/CPR&RD/Vig/2018, dated:07.03.2021.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the General Administration (V&E), Department after conducting a detailed enquiry on the allegations of irregularities of illegal quarrying of sand from Poramboku lands in Champavathi river recommended to take disciplinary action against Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram District for his involvement in the said irregularities.

2. In the G.O. 2nd read above, 7 articles of charges framed against Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram District under Rule 20 of AP. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and called for his Written Statement of Defence on the charges framed against him. He had submitted reply in the reference 3rd read above that all the files related to sand subject were transferred to AD, Mines & Geology. He is trying to obtain the files from the AD, Mines & Geology and would be able to submit his explanation within 3 weeks. But he has not submitted any explanation.

3. Government have decided to entrust the case to the Commissioner of Inquiry. Accordingly, orders are issued appointing Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, IAS, Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram District who were involved in this case in the reference 4th read above and also Presenting Officer to present case.

4. In the reference 5th read above, the case is reassigned to Sri P.K.Sarangi, IFS, COI, General Administration Department. He has submitted Inquiry report in the reference 6th read above holding that out of the 7 charges, four Charges i.e. a, e, f & g were not proved, the Charge No.b was proved, and the Charge No. c & d partially proved.

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5. In the reference 7th read above, show cause notice is issued to communicate Inquiry report to Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram district for his explanation. The Commissioner, PR&RD has submitted that the District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram has stated that the Inquiry report served on the charged officer on 04.03.2020 in reference 8th read above. But, written statement of defence is still awaited.

6. After careful examination of the matter, Government have decided to impose a penalty of withholding of (1) annual grade increment of pay without cumulative effect against Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram District and accordingly hereby impose a penalty of withholding of (1) annual grade increment of pay without cumulative effect against Sri K.Anand, the then District Panchayat Officer, Vizianagaram District.

7. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, AP, Tadepalli, Guntur District shall take necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner, Panchayt Raj & Rural Rural Development,
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The Panchyat Raj and Rural Development (Mandals-II) Department.
The PS to Minister(PR&RD, M&G).
The PS to Principal Secretary to Govt, PR&RD.
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